

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Income Maintenance Administration



**Questions for the FY 2010 Grants to Non-Profit Community Based Organizations for Family
Consumer Education and Awareness Pre-Application Conference**

Request for Application (RFA): FCEA-0716-10

1. Can an organization that compiled a database or list of names, addresses or other demographic information about beneficiaries of TANF, Food Stamp or some other publically funded benefit as a result of working with, or, for the District under a grant, Memoranda of Understanding, or contract, use that data, list or information for purposes of, or to apply for, or demonstrate organizational capacity as an applicant or collaborator, for a grant, contract or provider role for financial gain and/or benefit?

No. As indicated in this RFA (and contracts or other documents establishing a partnership or agent relationship with the District) “[I]nformation concerning families is strictly confidential and shall not be divulged to unauthorized persons...and [N]o person receiving information concerning a Food Stamp customer shall publish or use the information for any purpose other than that for which it was obtained, reviewed or presented.”

2. What is the definition of a Merchant?

A merchant is a retailer or retail entity authorized to accept EBT cards.

3. What is the target population for the Outreach?

The target population for outreach is TANF recipients.

4. Do you give us the clients or do we go out and get our own clients?

We do not give or refer clients to you as a routine or formal component of the grant operation; you are expected to perform outreach to identify and recruit customers.

5. Does the voucher need to be used by the end of the fiscal year?

The voucher should be used by the end of the grant award period. All funds must be expended or obligated by the end of the grant period.

6. The Grant says will work in Ward 1 – 8, can you only focus on one specific ward only?

The Request for Application (RFA) states the “organization may (emphasis added) operate in Wards one through eight in the District of Columbia.”

7. Is there a time frame on giving out the EBT card?

EBT Cards are issued by the J.P. Morgan, EFS, and must be available for access within 24 hours of the determination of eligibility for benefits.

8. Will this grant be an ongoing one or just for this year?

As indicated in the RFA, funds are available for a single grant award, for one year.

9. Who is creating the vouchers?

The successful grant applicant will be responsible for creating the voucher.

10. Time line to verify whether a person is a TANF recipient.

IMA will verify the TANF recipient status within 24 hours or no later than the close of business the next business day after inquiry from the grantee.

11. What are all the points of contact that IMA has with TANF recipients on a quarterly basis (i.e., for case management, re-certification, training, etc)? How many of these interactions are there, and who delivers them?

TANF recipients may contact (office visits, telephone, fax, mail) IMA at any point without limitation. Formal, required contacts are for the purpose of annual recertification conducted at any IMA service center. Informal contacts, e.g., to report changes, may occur over the telephone, or if the client desires, at any IMA service center.

12.How many TANF recipients are there in DC, and can you break that number down by Ward?

TANF WARD DATA FOR FY 2010

	Ward 0	Ward 1	Ward 2	Ward 3	Ward 4	Ward 5	Ward 6	Ward 7	Ward 8	TOTAL
October 2009										
Cases	0	1,171	1,142	14	1,522	2,176	2,173	3,658	4,689	16,545
Adults	0	659	679	10	853	1,298	1,369	2,210	2,867	9,945
Children	0	2,000	1,972	20	2,595	3,828	3,918	6,709	8,645	29,687
November										
Cases	0	1,190	1,141	14	1,540	2,188	2,191	3,642	4,685	16,591
Adults	0	677	678	8	877	1,315	1,375	2,220	2,871	10,021
Children	0	2,025	1,968	20	2,613	3,847	3,946	6,674	8,638	29,731
December										
Cases	0	1,191	1,135	13	1,554	2,179	2,164	3,610	4,668	16,514
Adults	0	665	677	8	883	1,301	1,358	2,191	2,845	9,928
Children	0	2,014	1,968	19	2,628	3,835	3,931	6,614	8,571	29,580
January 2010										
Cases	0	1,182	1,123	12	1,532	2,150	2,182	3,666	4,657	16,504
Adults	0	675	689	7	889	1,300	1,412	2,255	2,885	10,112
Children	0	1,991	1,925	18	2,608	3,791	3,945	6,701	8,528	29,507
February										
Cases	0	1,174	1,111	13	1,519	2,137	2,173	3,637	4,651	16,415
Adults	0	666	682	8	864	1,291	1,399	2,231	2,912	10,053
Children	0	1,979	1,910	19	2,590	3,751	3,943	6,638	8,512	29,342
March										
Cases	1	1,184	1,122	14	1,554	2,132	2,164	3,648	4,661	16,480
Adults	0	684	706	9	887	1,325	1,417	2,298	2,976	10,302
Children	1	1,979	1,924	22	2,635	3,733	3,926	6,661	8,519	29,400
April										
Cases	0	1,215	1,134	15	1,559	2,156	2,197	3,707	4,721	16,704
Adults	0	705	713	10	892	1,347	1,448	2,378	3,052	10,545
Children	0	2,010	1,959	19	2,639	3,799	3,997	6,805	8,575	29,803
May										
Cases	0	1,216	1,128	16	1,552	2,157	2,219	3,714	4,746	16,748
Adults	0	700	705	11	894	1,353	1,477	2,406	3,084	10,630
Children	0	2,014	1,952	21	2,641	3,818	4,041	6,813	8,616	29,916